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WASHINGTON, DC 20224

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Piotr Babichenko
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Dear Mr. Babichenko:

This is our final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated June 13, 2019 that we received on June 18, 2019.

You requested all documents and emails regarding "Operation Ruble" for the periods March 1, 1989 through June 12, 2019. We need the items checked below before we can process your FOIA request.

- ☐ Describe the records in reasonably sufficient detail to enable us to find them. This may include [indicate additional information needed to clarify request].
- ☒ Provide proof of your right to access the requested records.
- ☒ Establish your identity by submitting:
 - a. Your signature, address, and one other identifier (such as a copy of a driver's license) bearing your signature if you make the request by mail; or
 - b. A notarized statement swearing to or affirming your identity. The notary seal must be on the same page as your signature; or
 - c. A statement made under penalty of perjury in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 1746, swearing to or affirming your identity. If the declaration is sworn within the United States, its territories, possessions, or commonwealths, the sworn statement must include the following language: "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date)."
- ☒ Request must be signed.
- ☐ Provide your social security number.
- ☐

State your agreement to pay for search and copying fees or request that they be reduced or waived. Fees may be reduced or waived only if you can show that disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest rather than the commercial interest of the requester.

Please send us the indicated information within 35 days, along with a copy of this letter and your original request with the information requested. The 20 days we are allowed to comply with your request will begin when we receive the requested information.

You may contact me, the FOIA Public Liaison, Laura A. McIntyre, to discuss your request at: IRS Disclosure Office 10, 1999 Broadway, MS 7000 DEN, Denver, CO 89202, (303) 603-4734.

The FOIA Public Liaison responds to FOIA and Privacy Act requests for copies of documents maintained by the IRS. There is no provision in either Act to resolve tax, collection, or processing issues and our staff is not trained to answer questions regarding those issues. If you need assistance with tax related issues you may call the IRS toll free number at 1-800-829-1040.

If you have any questions please call Disclosure Tax Law Specialist John M Quigley ID # 1000247712, at 510-907-5337 or write to: Internal Revenue Service, Disclosure Scanning Operation – Stop 93A, PO Box 621506, Atlanta, GA 30362. Please refer to case number F19170-0001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura A. McIntyre", is positioned above the typed name.

Laura A McIntyre
Disclosure Manager
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